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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor Post Office Box 350 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

A Special Board meeting of the Board of Public Utilities was held on February 12, 2015, at the Board's Office, 44 South Clinton Avenue First Floor, Board Room, Trenton, New Jersey 08608.

Public notice was given pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 10:4-18 by posting notice of the meeting at the Board's Trenton Office, on the Board's website, filing notice of the meeting with the New Jersey Department of State and the following newspapers circulated in the State of New Jersey:

Asbury Park Press
Atlantic City Press
Burlington County Times
Courier Post (Camden)
Home News Tribune (New Brunswick)
North Jersey Herald and News (Passaic)
The Record (Hackensack)
The Star Ledger (Newark)
The Trenton Times

The following members of the Board of Public Utilities were present:

Richard S. Mroz, President Joseph L. Fiordaliso, Commissioner Mary-Anna Holden, Commissioner Dianne Solomon, Commissioner Upendra J. Chivukula, Commissioner

President Mroz presided at the meeting and Kenneth J. Sheehan, Secretary of the Board, carried out the duties of Secretary.

It was announced that the next regular Board Meeting would be held on March 18, 2015 at the State House Annex, Committee Room 11, 125 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08608.

OPEN SESSION

2. ENERGY

A. Docket No. ER14040370 - In the Matter of the Provision of Basic Decision and Order Generation Service for the Period Beginning June 1, 2015

Frank Perrotti, FERC PJM Issues Manager, presented this matter.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Chivukula recused himself from this matter.

FP Auction Summary:

The BGS-FP Auction began on February 9, 2015 and ended on February 10, 2015. It lasted 17 rounds. All of the electric distribution companies' (EDCs) 57 tranches were filled by the auction. The auction had 12 registered bidders, and resulted with 9 winning bidders. The winning prices are:

EDC	Closing Price	
	(Cents/Kwh)	
ACE	8.606	
JCP&L	8.042	
PSE&G	9.954	
Rockland	9.066	

CIEP Auction Summary:

The BGS-CIEP Auction began on February 6, 2015 and ended on February 9, 2015. It lasted 27 rounds. All of the electric distribution companies' (EDCs) 45 tranches were filled by the auction. The auction had 6 registered bidders, and resulted with 5 winning bidders. The winning prices are:

EDC	Closing Price \$/Mw-day
ACE	235.89
JCP&L	248.41
PSE&G	272.78
Rockland	272.14

Recommendation:

The Auction Manager responsible for conducting the 2015 auctions was the National Economic Research Associates (NERA).

The auctions were also continuously monitored by Staff from the Division of Energy, as well as by the Board's consultant, Boston Pacific Company (BP).

NERA and Boston Pacific both provided Board approved auction checklists, which were reviewed by Staff. The checklists included an in-depth analysis regarding how the BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP Auctions were conducted.

Both the NERA and Boston Pacific post auction reports were consistent with each other, and indicate that the Auctions proceeded without interruption, according to the Board-approved Auction rules, in an acceptably fair and transparent manner, and that the Board should certify the Auction results.

Staff overseeing the Auctions further recommended that the Board certify the final results of the BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP Auctions in their entirety, and approve the closing prices for each EDC.

Staff also recommended that the Board direct the EDCs to: 1) execute the necessary documents with the winning bidders, including the BGS Supplier Master Agreements; 2) implement the BGS rates resulting from the Auctions beginning June 1, 2015; and 3) file tariff sheets reflecting those rates by March 2, 2015.

DECISION: The Board adopted the recommendation of Staff as set forth above.

Roll Call Vote: President Mroz Aye

Commissioner Fiordaliso Aye Commissioner Holden Aye Commissioner Solomon Aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

After appropriate motion, the following matter, involving the attorney-client privilege exception to the Open Public Meetings Act, was discussed in Executive Session.

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DISCUSSION: Commissioner Chivukula recused himself from this matter due to a potential conflict of interest and was not present during the discussion of this item.

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A summary of the rate impact on residential customers is attached to the Agenda memo.

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Accordingly, the auctions were continuously monitored by Staff from the Division of Energy, as well as by the Board's consultant, Boston Pacific Company (BP).

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Both the independent NERA and Boston Pacific post auction reports are consistent with each other and indicate that the Auctions proceeded without interruption, according to the Board-approved Auction rules, in an acceptably fair and transparent manner, and that the Board should certify the Auction results.

Staff assigned to oversee the Auctions also recommended that the Board certify the final results of the BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP Auctions in their entirety, and approve the closing prices for each EDC.

Staff also recommended that the Board direct the EDCs to: 1) execute the necessary documents with the winning bidders, including the BGS Supplier Master Agreements; 2) implement the BGS rates resulting from the Auctions beginning June 1, 2015; and 3) file tariff sheets reflecting those rates by March 2, 2015.

After appropriate motion, the Board reconvened to Open Session.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

DATE: June 17, 2015

IRENE KIM ASBURY BOARD SECRETARY